

## Did you see the drama in the “Driveway”?

At the end of April in our Sunday morning service we watched several neighbors hanging out on lawn chairs in the driveway talking about... dogs, garbage and leaky tires on mini-vans. These conversations went into more depth, talking about tomato juice baths for skunk attacks and cars stuck in the carwash.

At the end of the driveway discussion, Ed stepped out and talked to us (the audience). He shared his desire to have deeper conversations with his neighbors. How he had hoped that these relationships would develop so that they could care about each others' lives, not just their dogs and cars. He knew their lives were real with real problems like marriage challenges, unemployment and job changes and even serious illness such as depression. Ed finally said something like:

“I don't know one significant thing about what they're going through. About any of them! So, we sit here. It feels like we're good friends but all we really know about each other is whose dog smells, whose tires are leaking and whose team won on Sunday. I don't know. It's just not enough. But I don't know what to do to change it.”

How can we change that? How can we help Ed? How can we help you? We pray that as we connect our Church Family to each other, Ed will find the meaningful relationships he's looking for. We believe that Connections can also help meet your connection needs in our church.

Contact us ([Connections@SheboyganEFC.org](mailto:Connections@SheboyganEFC.org) or Kelly/803-8080) to find out how you can help us become a functional, loving Church Family.

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